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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-third day of December, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-third.

William J. Clinton

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NOTE: This proclamation will be published in the *Federal Register* on December 29.

Statement on the National Economy *December 24, 1998*

Today we received more evidence that our economy remains solid and strong—more proof that the economic strategy we have had in place for 6 years is serving America's working families well. Last month personal income rose a strong 0.5 percent—that's good news in this holiday season and good news for our future. Over the past year, personal incomes have increased nearly 5 percent—far faster than the rate of inflation.

While we should be pleased with our strong economic progress, now is not a time to rest; it is a time to build. To ensure that America's economy continues to work for America's working families, we must main-

tain the three-part economic strategy that has helped produce these remarkable gains. We must maintain our fiscal discipline; continue to invest in our people through education, health care, and research and development; and continue to lead the global economy.

Memorandum on Funding for the Korean Peninsula Development Organization

December 24, 1998

Presidential Determination No. 99-09

Memorandum for the Secretary of State

Subject: Use of \$12 Million in Economic Support Funds for a U.S. Contribution to the Korean Peninsula Development Organization (KEDO)

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 614(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, 22 U.S.C. 2364(a)(1) (the "Act"), I hereby determine that it is important to the security interests of the United States to furnish up to \$12 million in funds made available under Chapter 4 of Part II of the Act for assistance for KEDO without regard to any provision of law within the scope of section 614(a)(1). I hereby authorize furnishing of this assistance.

You are hereby authorized and directed to transmit this determination to the Congress and to arrange for its publication in the *Federal Register*.

William J. Clinton

Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

December 20

In the afternoon and evening, the President and Hillary Clinton hosted holiday receptions in the Map Room.

December 21

In the morning, the President met with Senator Ted Kennedy in the Oval Office.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Arlington, VA, and later returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to appoint Lawrence Rogers as Acting Inspector General for Tax Administration at the Department of the Treasury.

The President announced his intention to appoint Ellen Hart Peña as a member of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

The President announced his intention to appoint Susan Weikers Volchok as a member of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council.

December 22

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary Clinton hosted a Christmas celebration for children in the East Room.

December 23

In the morning, the President traveled to Baltimore, MD, and in the afternoon, he returned to Washington, DC.

December 24

The President announced his intention to nominate J. Brian Atwood to be Ambassador to Brazil.

**Nominations
Submitted to the Senate**

NOTE: The Congress having adjourned *sine die* on October 21, no nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

**Checklist
of White House Press Releases**

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released December 19

Transcript of remarks by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart on Representative Bob Livingston's decision to resign

Released December 21

Transcript of remarks by Vice President Al Gore at the Plain Language Awards

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Statement by the Press Secretary on the Pakistan-U.S. agreement on F-16 aircraft purchased by Pakistan

Released December 22

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Released December 23

Advance text of remarks by National Security Adviser Samuel Berger at the National Press Club

**Acts Approved
by the President**

NOTE: No acts approved by the President were received by the Office of the Federal Register during the period covered by this issue.